Post Secondary School-Aged Dependents

This is the procedure by which dependents attending post-secondary education secure accreditation with the Office of Protocol, Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade.

All USG employees and family members must be announced to the Office of Protocol to become accredited and be recognized as diplomatic or consular personnel, or family members of diplomatic or consular personnel, representing the USG in Canada.

Upon arrival with the employee, children, aged 19 – 25 years of age, may be announced and recognized as dependents as long as they are full-time students in post-secondary educational institutions. If they arrive in the summer, the Office of Protocol will issue the necessary documents to the child, however, the documents will be made valid only through to September 30th of the year in which the employee arrived.

The student will need to provide to the HRO a letter from the post-secondary educational institution confirming enrollment in a particular program at the school. HRO must forward this letter to the Office of Protocol together with the passport and Identity card for extension of these documents through to September 30th of the following year. This will be done annually upon confirmation of enrollment in school.